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SUBJECT: ALLEGED US ROLE IN PROTECTING KLAUS BARBIE

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1. STATION IS APPALLED BY SPECULATION IN THE FRENCH PRESS THAT PNEXCELL COLLABORATED WITH NAZI WAR CRIMINAL LAUL ((BARBIE)), ALIAS KLAUS ALTMAN, DURING HIS YEARS IN BOLIVIA. WE WANT TO GO ON RECORD AS SAYING THAT NO OFFICER OR OTHER PNEXCELL ORGANIZATIONAL EMPLOYEE PRESENTLY IN THIS STATION HAS EVER HAD CONTACT WITH OR HAS EVER CONSIDERED CONTACTING BARBIE. MOREOVER, THERE IS NOT A SHRED OF EVIDENCE IN OUR FILES THAT [] STATION PERSONNEL IN THE PAST HAS EVER HAD CONTACT WITH OR USED BARBIE IN ANY CAPACITY.

2. WISH REMIND ADDEES THAT [] STATION WAS OUT FRONT IN EFFORTS TO RID BOLIVIA OF BARBIE'S PROTEGE, THE NOTORIOUS ITALIAN NEO-NAZI TERRORIST PERLUIGI ((PAGLIAI)) AND WOULD HAVE BEEN HAPPY TO PLAY A SIMILAR ROLE WHERE BARBIE WAS CONCERNED. SINCE THAT ROLE WAS NOT NECESSARY, STATION LED THE CHEERING FROM THE SIDELINES AS THE NET CLOSED AROUND BARBIE. OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD THE BARBIE EXPULSION FROM BOLIVIA THEN IS: "GOOD RIDDANCE TO BAD RUBBISH."

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